

Regular Police will Now Handle Law and Order in 1800 Villages of Uttarakhand | Uttarakhand | 03 Jan 2023

Why In News?

On January 2, 2023, Uttarakhand Additional Home Secretary Ridhim Agarwal said that law and order will now be maintained by regular police in 1800 revenue villages of the state. The state government has abolished the system of revenue police and notified these villages to be brought under regular police.

Key Points

- Additional Home Secretary Ridhim Agarwal said that there are about 7500 villages in the hilly areas of the state, where the responsibility of law and order is with the revenue police. But now the government is going to bring these villages under regular police by ending the years-old revenue policing system. Regular policing in these villages will reduce crime and anti-social activities.
- In the first phase, 52 police stations and 19 police outposts will be expanded under the law and order of regular police in the state.
- In the second phase, 6 new police stations and 20 police posts will be formed. Under this, the process of setting up new police stations and outposts and bringing about 1444 revenue villages under regular policing will be completed soon.
- He said that among the revenue villages notified by the government for regular policing, 4 in Dehradun district, 182 in Uttarkashi, 262 in Chamoli, 157 in Tehri, 148 in Pauri, 63 in Rudraprayag, 39 in Nainital, 231 in Almora, 595 in Pithoragarh, 106 in Bageshwar and 13 in Champawat. Villages are included.
- It is known that after the questions raised on the revenue police in the Ankita Bhandari murder case, the government has taken a big decision to bring it under the regular police.
- Actually, Uttarakhand has been divided into three regions. These three have different Acts, which empower revenue officials to make arrests and investigations. The first region is the mountainous belt of Kumaon and Garhwal division. The second is the hilly belt of Tehri and Uttarkashi districts and the third region is the Jaunsar-Bawar region of Dehradun district.

Country's First All-age All Weather Running Track | Uttarakhand | 03 Jan 2023

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According to information received from the media on January 2, 2023, the Indian Army is building the country's **first all-age all-weather running track** at Jaswant Singh Ground (Mahindra Ground) in Garhi Cantt area of Dehradun, Uttarakhand, which will be inaugurated by the country's Defense Minister Rajnath Singh on January 14.

Key Points

- According to information received from Uttarakhand sub-area, only plastic waste material is being used in the construction of this track. The construction work of the running track is in the final stage.
- The running track is being built in a modern way so that people of all ages can easily use it in summer, winter and rainy season. The youth will benefit the most from this. Often in the rainy season, they are not able to practice due to rain. Now they will be able to practice daily on this track.
- Along with the marathon, other events will also be held at the Jaswant Singh Ground in Dehradun. There is a plan to install a display on the side of the track so that it can be known while running that how much has been run. Efforts will also be made to make the youth aware through the display so that they can run well. There is also a plan to install solar lights all around the ground.
- Apart from the running track, the Defense Minister will also inaugurate the first war memorial of the state, which is being constructed in the Cantt area, Chirbagh.

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